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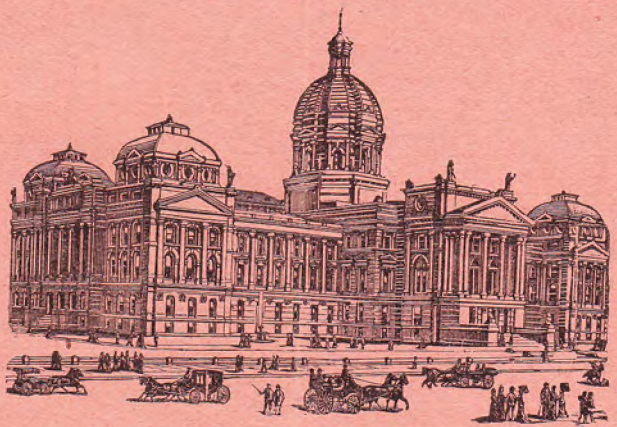

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SURCHARGED POSTAGE STAMPS OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES IN AFRICA.

BY PH. HEINSBERGER, NEW YORK.

The philatelic history of stamp issuing countries in Africa which partly belong the Universal Postal Union as: Transvaal (South African Republic), Natal and Madagascar (French postoffice) and the yet outstanding countries, as: Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Griqualand (west) is certainly one of which the younger class of American stamp collectors have heard very little. If you ask for the reason, I only can think that it is the scarcity in a few cases, but mostly the enormous price asked for these surcharged stamps. There matters rest, and the "Dark Continent" remains a mystery. A great many small countries have surcharged stamps, especially the English and French colonies all over the world, but fortunately they mostly stay only for a short time. But in Africa things never seem to change. Surcharge seems to follow surcharge as a matter of course. The philatelic fraternity all over the world has given many reasons for this state of affairs, but none of them is sufficient to account for the numerous surcharged stamps with which the stamp collectors are troubled. Certainly it is a fact that the small republics of Transvaal and Orange Free State, founded by the "Boers" (Dutchmen who emigrated from the Cape Colony in 1836) and Transvaal (also founded by the "Boers" who emigrated from Natal in 1852); the courageous people of both countries fought often with powerful England. Bloody battles for liberty and their independence at last brought both countries in a state of dissolution, yet in our present time these small countries suffer from the terrible financial struggle of years past. That's the true reason for all surcharged stamps of these two countries.

But dear reader of the Hoosier Stamp, this is no reason at all in regard to the "English Colonies" in Africa. The mother country, England, is rich and can supply her "colonial children" with any quantity of stamps at a short notice, if ordered in time by the

colonial postal authorities. The mail time for steamers from London (Eng.) to the Cape Colony and Natal takes thirty-five to forty days, but the trouble is with these colonial postal authorities. They are smart, and know stamp collectors! They—perhaps by mistake—order a too short supply of stamps, or wait with their order until the "bottom of the barrel" is reached, and the supply of the stamp is almost gone. The traffic and commercial relations of the African English colonies with foreign lands is a very important one, and—a funny thing—never stops, but the mail must go out, as the mail steamers do not wait. Now, these worthy colonial postal authorities in their need, to supply the public demand for stamps, have only one remedy and a good one. The supply of the regular stamps is gone. The new stamps must be made first in England, the arrival of the mail steamer takes time, the public is asking for stamps, the inland post-offices call urgently for "stamps, stamps, stamps," and now comes the "horror" of all stamp collectors: The "cancel machines," a useful instrument, at Cape Town (Cape Colony) and at Pietermaritzburg (Natal) are busy night and day. Low values of regular postage stamps (as far as stock is left) are surcharged with high values, often with colors as many as a rainbow, denomination follows after denomination, and "men of stamps," last, but not least, "Fiscals" are in demand. The "Revenue Department" has always a large stock of Revenue stamps—red ones and blue ones, white and yellow colors, and well known "friend in need" at the colonial post-office. Fiscal is proud to become a genuine postage stamp, and to show her nice face in foreign lands, and to enter the collector's album. Smiling Fiscal runs to the "cancel machine" to get surcharged, and come out as a genuine postage stamp. Now it is a fact that the genuine postage stamp does not like his newly manufactured Fiscal postage stamp friend. But the colonial postal authorities think otherwise. The "cancel machine" keeps on working, no matter if a postage stamp or revenue stamp gets the "surcharge" until a large supply of surcharged stamps is manufactured, usually more than necessary for the public demand. Perhaps, or better said, surely, the one or other of the post clerks is an amateur collector or dealer in stamps or knows the value of stamps and also knows that there exist stamp dealers and surely they know there are fellows who call themselves stamp collectors, who want to fill their album with stamps. To the stamp dealers they levy

their overstock of surcharged stamps and these petty and smart colonial post officials make money. And who pays the freight? Not "Jones of Binghampton" as we say in New York, but the stamp collectors all over the world. No other reason than money making without working, can account for so many surcharged postage and revenue stamps of the English colonies in Africa and I may add also, all other English and also French colonies, and not to forget those "doubtful" surcharged postage stamps of Peru, 1883, and last, those nice and high priced "so called" postage stamps of the little Russian settlement, Mount Athos, in Turkey, whose handful of people never dreamed that the outside world did know Mount Athos. Who laughs there? The French colonies and also most of the English colonies recently have, indeed, received new stamps and appear now in a new, handsome dress of colors. Will they be surcharged too, later, who knows?

COST SOMETHING.

"Stamps, please," curtly said the young lady.

"With or without?" queried the facetious drug clerk.

"With or without! Without what?" was the indignant inquiry.

"Whiskers, ma'am. One-centers has no whiskers on Columbus. Two-centers have."—*Phila. Call.*

RECIPROCITY.

BY JIM INY.

"Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you," is a text that is not generally observed by philatelists. There is scarcely a collector who, when he receives a package of stamps pasted over with one and two cent stamps, does not say (or think), "why didn't he put on a six-center?" It seems to me that collectors should think of the welfare of others as well as of themselves. Every one knows that the odd value stamps are scarcer than the one and two cent stamps, and it is just as cheap to put on a high value stamp as it is to spend the same amount for one's or two's. Certainly it will make the recipient of the letter a few cents richer in the philatelic line, and he will most assuredly reciprocate.

Every collector wants his mail to come pre-paid by odd value stamps, but when sending parcels to other collectors does not think to pre-pay his in this way.

Foreign collectors often request their correspondents to use the odd value stamps when answering letters, but this should not be necessary.

This would be a good rule for dealers to follow, as collectors would be more apt to trade with a dealer who thought something of the collector's welfare as well as his own private gains.

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The postal clerks say the new special delivery stamps are as troublesome as the old ones, they being very hard to see at night, especially on buff envelopes.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

E. T. Parker's price list, No. 59, is almost a complete catalogue.

Chas. K. Reed's price list of Naturalist's Supplies is very complete. See his ad. in this number.

A Chicago paper has at last secured second-class rates.

The Eastern Philatelist is now five years old.

Mr. C. Whitfield King, an English stamp dealer, has had a room papered with stamps. 44,068 stamps were used, the market value being over $600.

A merchant in San Jose paid $5,000 for the seven million remainders of the 1889 Costa Rica issue.

The Gillett-Babcock Co. tell us they are putting a very fine line of stamps on sheets, at 33⅓% commission. They have recently bought several fine collections and are giving collectors a chance to get desirable stamps at a good discount.

The Florida Philatelist is fast approaching the highest standard of philatelic literature.

Mr. Rogers says it will take nearly three months to print his American Philatelic Blue Book.

The catalogue of R. F. Albrecht & Co's 12th auction sale contains over 1,000 lots.

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A lad at Palmyra, Wis., has begun to collect his second million of postage stamps.

The Princess of Wales and her daughters are great stamp collectors.

The old-time fashion of sealing letters is coming in again, and everywhere may be seen wax of every conceivable hue. In place of the small and thin sticks once in vogue, large and solid shapes are now adopted.

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16.		5.00	Manifest	2289	1
17.		3.50	Blue and Black	2326	1
18.	1875.	10 cents,	Proprietary	2358	1
19.	Confederate,	1862,*	2 cents, Green	74	1
	Foreign.				
20.	Antigua,	1879.	4 p., Blue	9	1
21.	Bahamas,	1861.*	1 " Pale Lake	2	1
22.	Barbadocs,	" *	4 " Red	10	1
23.	"	" *	6 " Verne	13	1
24.	"	" *	1 sh., Black	14	1
25.	"	1871.*	1 " "	20	1
26.	Brazil,	1889.	500 R. Car. Unpaid	257	1
27.	Bremen,	1866.*	2 gr. Orange	10	1
28.	"	" *	10 " White p	14	1
29.	Br. Guiana,	1882.*	1 cent, Rose p. "Ship"	69	1
30.	Cuba,	1883.*	20 cents, Brown	115	1
31.	Hamburg,	1864.	3 s., Blue and Green	17 } 18 }	2
32.	Hong Kong,	1891.	Rose and Black Jubilee	48	1
33.	France,	1849.	1 fr., Carmine	4	1
34.	"	1850.	15 cents, Green	9	1
35.	Italy,	1884.	50 and 100 Lier	95 } 96 }	2
36.	Ionian Isles,	1859.*	½ p., Orange	1	1
37.	Grenada,	1881.	2½ p., Claret	8	1
38.	Lubeck,	1863.	⅓ s., Green	9	1
39.	Newfoundland,	1857.*	5 p., Violet	5	1
40.	Queenland,	1872.*	3 " Brown	24	1
41.	St. Christ'pher,	1888.*	1 " on 2½ p., Blue	17	1
42.	New S. Wales,	1854.	6 " Brown	39	1
43.	Tobago,	1879.*	3 " Blue	2	1
44.	Turks Isles,	1867.*	6 " Gray	2	1
45.	"	"	1 sh., State	8	1